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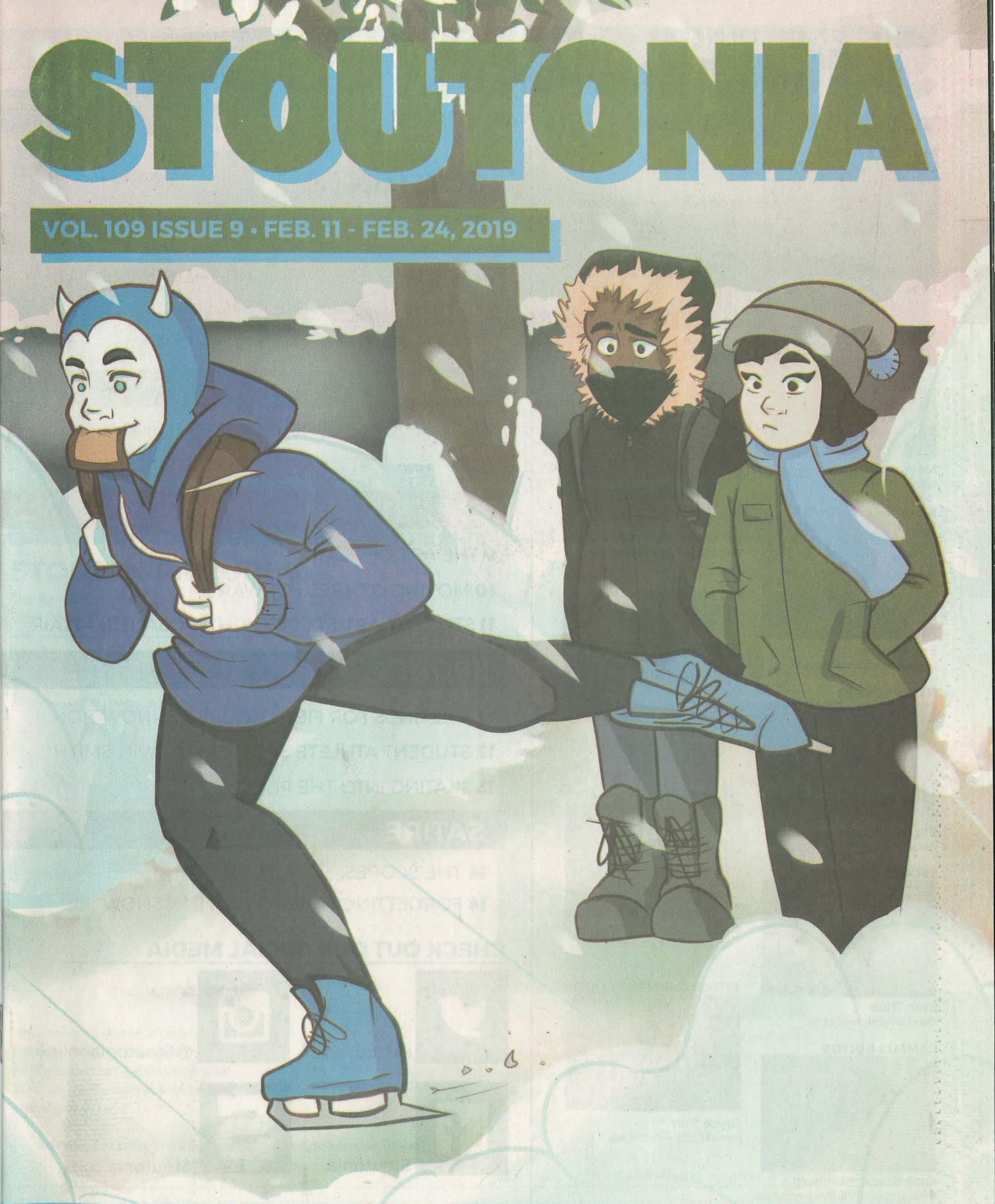

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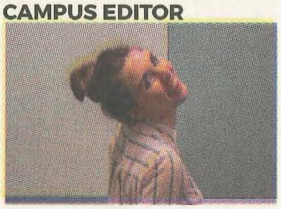

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"This week's Stoutonia cover design was inspured by joking with my roommates that we should invest in some ice skates because of how slippery the ice is!"

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CUTIE OF THE WEEK

KATIE SCHULZETENBERG/CONTRIBUTED

This is Sasha and she loves to push her owner's buttons, Katie Schulzetenberg, by eating absolutely everything.

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WHAT WAS YOUR REASON FOR WATCHING THE SUPERBOWL THIS YEAR?

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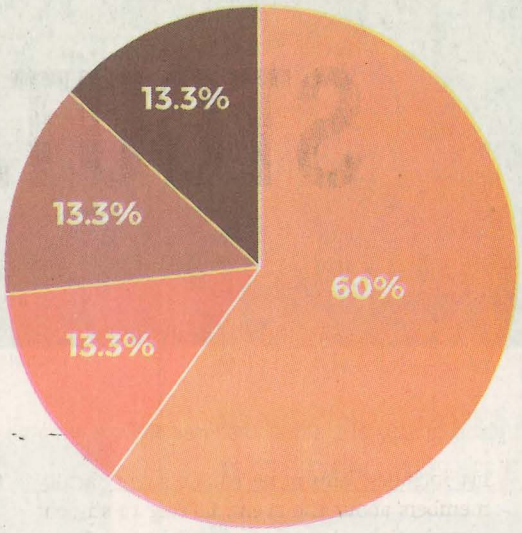
- To see the Patriots win
- To see the Rams win
- Half time show



The survey lasted for two weeks and was conducted online. It was primarily advertised on Campus Life Today and social media. The results are a product of 15 responses.

Stoutonia's bi-weekly student poll; Read the prompt, then head over to one of our social media sites to vote and give your opinions.

NEXT POLL

Are you pleased with the amount of snow days Stout has had within the past couple of weeks?

Cold Wisconsin weather has forced Stout to cancel classes a few times. What are your thoughts on the days of canceled class?

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THE HISTORY OF THE PEACE MARCH

BY AUDREY TCHAA

The spark of the Peace March started with a conversation between Taasia Barfield and her friend, Brianna Yang. They were sitting on the second floor in Hovlid Hall the day after Terence Crutcher was shot and killed by police officer Betty Jo Shelby in Tulsa, Oklahoma on Sep 17, 2016. The discussion revolved around the death of Crutcher and Stout's campus.

In regard to the conversation, Barfield said, "I was really emotional, and I was so close to crying. I told Brianna, 'There's always something with the black community,' and asked 'Why can't we just be black? What's wrong with us just being us? Why do we have to die because of our skin tones?' It just brings me back to how this campus needs to change. This world needs to change, but right now the only thing I can focus on is this campus because that's where I'm at, so that's what I have to change right now."

Barfield's interest in helping her minority community started by just speaking up. When she became aware that the outcome wasn't satisfying, she started researching both about the laws on Stout's campus, and the laws throughout the United States. She also managed to do extensive research on past incidents that happened on Stout's campus. This drove her to start movements and protests during her time at Stout.

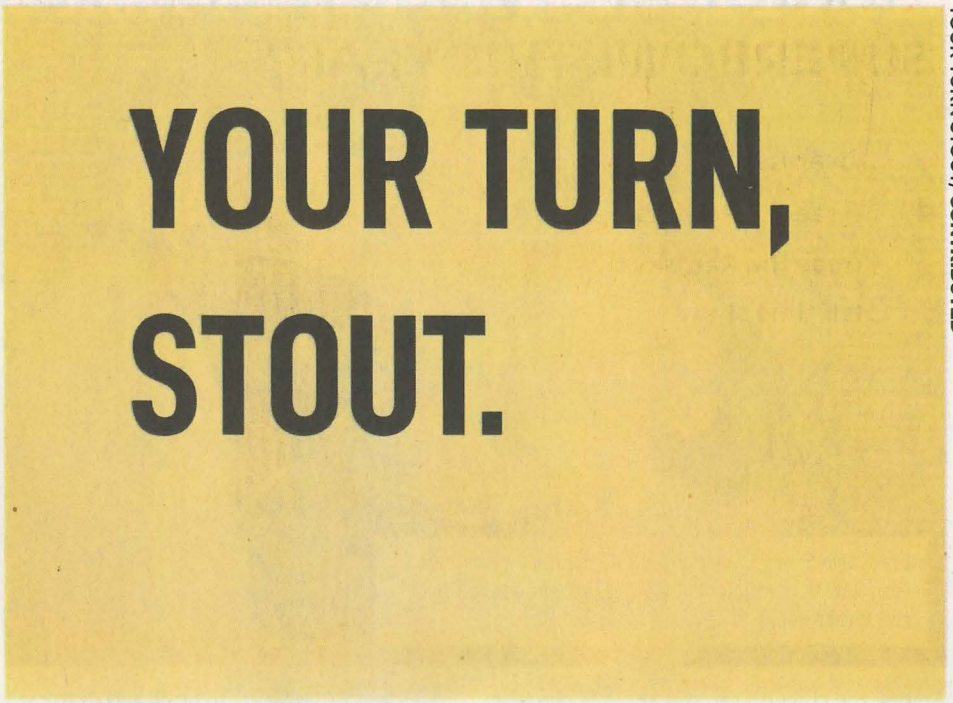
"For four years I was fighting for the same thing, and all four years people told me 'nothing is going to change.' And I always told them, 'nothing will change if you don't stand behind me. One person can change the world, but I can't do it alone.' So it's not going to change if you feel like nothing's going to change. I'm black, you're black, it's a problem, stand with me on it," says Barfield.

Barfield plays a significant role in her friends' and peers' lives. Your Turn, Stout and Yang described her as "bodacious, empowering, extroverted, badass and advocate."

"She's a starter. She initiates things, and I think that's one of her most admirable qualities because she doesn't just leave it as 'I see a problem with this.' She sees it as 'I see a problem and I'm going to do something for it,'" says Yang.

In the upcoming year, the group Your Turn, Stout, are the new faces and leaders of the 2019 Peace March. Those who were interviewed are: Jasmine Baker, Vaughn Hess Jr., Hleeda Lor and Will Yang; they are all working together with two others, Brittany Zavala and Chia Lor. Barfield. Brianna Yang have also been helping.

Based off of the first march that occurred in 2017, Barfield did a lot of production in order to make this march run smoothly. This



YOUR TURN STOUT/ CONTRIBUTED

list includes: informing students and faculty members about the event, talking to student organizations, having the multicultural student organizations come together, forming specific teams with specific duties (like advertising), making posters, flyers, and banners and creating a promotional video, ("We Matter" on YouTube) which started the Peace March.

Your Turn, Stout has been doing the same work that Barfield did in the 2017 Peace March during the Fall of 2018 academic semester. They collectively feel that it's an amazing opportunity to take over the Peace March, knowing that most of them have gone to both marches in the past. "I definitely do think that we are trying to fulfill that legacy that Taasia has," says Baker.

The group believes that the significance of the Peace March is to bring awareness to the Stout community and become a unified whole. "I really think this Peace March is about bringing awareness, and it's not just a one-time peace march that happened the first year or the second year. It's continuing that significance of why we need this and telling everyone that these injustices are still happening, and we need to do something about it," says Hleeda Lor.

Barfield explained that February is the month for black people, power and love, which is a perfect month to host this march. A key part of this march was to show solidarity to the Black Lives Matter movement. "This is about unity. Coming together, loving each other for who we are, loving the skins that we are in as black people," says Barfield.

"A lot of people were telling me that I couldn't do the Peace March right after Valentine's Day, and I wondered 'Why not?' Because it's about love, it's about people loving us for us... It was to show that in a world full of people that hate us, as black people, we still have each other. Not only do we have each other but we have these groups of people that stand with us too," says Barfield.

Yang knew that the Peace March would still be continuing after her and Barfield's first march in 2017, but she never thought it would be as impactful as it is. "The original thought, for me at least, was that this is a response to what is happening; for it to go a step further, where it brings awareness to the issues happening on campus. I think that's pretty amazing that it can have that impact on students," says Yang.

Knowing this information, Yang feels that the Peace March is doing its intended job.

Barfield currently works at College Possible-Milwaukee as a Junior coach where she talks to high school juniors of color who come from low-income families about college and the opportunities it can give them. Barfield plans on going back to school soon to receive a law degree (at either Howard or Penn State), a master's in psychology and counseling (at Alabama State or A&M) and is thinking about going back for an undergraduate degree in writing and journalism at University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. ●

ORG SPOTLIGHT: SWING CLUB

KATIE SCHULZETENBERG

SWING CLUB/CONTRIBUTED

Executive Swing Club members at the Halloween Dance. From left to right: Sarah Pintens, Ty Weis, Jacob Greider and Wyatt Hofius.

Among the clubs on campus, there is one that requires some dancing feet. Stout Swing Club is a free organization that is open to students, faculty and community members. They focus primarily on teaching swing dancing, but they aren't limited to that. Swing Club also brings in guest instructors to teach other kinds of dances. "Mike and Kelsey are two of our regular instructors from Eau Claire that we bring in. They teach anything from Ballroom dances like Waltz, Tango and Foxtrot, to Latin dances like Salsa or Meringue. We also bring in Terry from Twin Cities Swing to teach aerials toward the end of the year, as well as Lindy Hop," said Kailey Blatz, vice president of Swing Club.

Students who don't have any experience with swing dancing, or any dancing can rest assured. Swing Club does not require members to have any knowledge of dancing. Experienced members will help new members learn starting at whatever level they may be. Members can choose to bring a partner or to come alone. "Our goal is giving our members a variety of experiences with different kinds of dances, as well as a chance to meet other people interested in partner dances," said Blatz.

Since Swing Club is open to the public, regular community members join for weekly meetings and bigger events such as their Valentine's Dance and the end of the year dance. This year, the org is going to be trying something new. They are going to be participating in the Dunn County Historical Society's 2nd Annual Snow Ball. "This is our first time participating in this event, so we're not entirely sure what to expect, but we're super excited to be involved with it. We're planning to give short instruction sessions before the dance and during the band break; and we're looking forward to getting more involved with the community and sharing some of our swing moves!" said Blatz.

Swing Club also has workshops where they bring in guest instructors to work on specific kinds of dances, such as Ballroom Dances or Latin Dances.

"Overall, we are a club that is all about having fun and meeting people. We use dance as a medium to meet new people and learn cool new skills! All of our events are free, and we always welcome anyone, no matter how much or little experience they have or how often they are able to come," said Blatz. Swing Club meets every Wednesday in the Great Hall. Each meeting the instructors teach three or four new moves and throughout the year they go through more advanced moves with the help of experienced members. ●

Swing Club group members at the Halloween dance.

POLAR VORTEX BRINGS STUDENTS INDOORS

JOSH NEHS

RILEY DURHAM/STOUTONIA

Wisconsin and the rest of the Midwest were met with cold temperatures that cancelled schools and businesses during the last week of Jan.

The temperatures broke records, reaching a range between negative 40 and negative 65 degrees Fahrenheit with wind chill. The intensity of the cold would cause frostbite within minutes.

Polar vortexes are normally contained within the poles due to temperature differences between the poles and the equator. Because of the temperature difference, they push each other, creating what is called a polar vortex.

The polar vortex sits above the Earth's surface, whipping cold air and blocking direct sunlight. The North Pole vortex split in two on Jan 2, bringing polar temperatures to the Midwest.

Although polar vortexes splitting is nothing new, scientists are looking at the possibility of the frequency of the split rising.

A current theory is that climate change is contributing to extreme colds being pushed further south. This theory is in its early stages, and there is much debate within the scientific community on whether the two instances are related.

In response to the extreme weather conditions, University of Wisconsin-Stout, among many other universities, cancelled classes to protect students and staff. Classes were cancelled from 3:30 p.m., Jan. 29 through Jan. 31.

In Menomonie, temperatures reached negative 29 degrees Fahrenheit with ten and a half mile per hour winds. Within minutes of being outside, these conditions could have caused possible hospitalization for students and staff.

Some UW-Stout students were asked about what they did over the three days out of classes.

Jake Kennedy, an undeclared freshman, said, "For most of the time, I stayed in my dorm just messing around and watching YouTube videos. But surprisingly, I spent a good chunk of it going places, either the MSC to watch videos there or to get food with a friend. I probably spent way more time outside than I needed to. It didn't seem cold at first, but then it was freezing!"

Austin Paulson, a senior in information and communication technologies said, "I mostly stayed inside and played video games. At one point, my roommate asked me to drive her to Walmart. That was a mission. Some of the water lines in our house froze up and didn't thaw for a couple of days; our heater just wasn't able to keep up. We had it set to 77 degrees, but it got down to 62 degrees inside. Even though we had a lot of house issues, I still enjoyed the break from classes."

Kang Lau, a senior in information and communication technologies, said he stayed indoors and made sure his friends living in Chicago were doing alright with the cold. Ryan Sanford, a junior in computer networking and information technology stayed inside playing "League of Legends" and watching movies with his family.

A common theme with most students was trying to stay inside to avoid the cold. Whether working on schoolwork, doing work for their jobs, or just enjoying the days off, UW-Stout students did their best to stay warm. ●

UW-STOUT'S CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

MACKENZIE PETERSON

There are several construction projects currently happening on the University of Wisconsin-Stout campus.

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Contractors have now taken over the west half of the Price Commons.

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There are several construction projects happening on the University of Wisconsin-Stout campus. Michael Bowman, Project Manager at UW-Stout, was able to give insight and information on the status of the ongoing construction projects.

The Price Commons' first floor remodel is one of the current projects happening on campus. The east half of the first floor was reoccupied over winter break by the Housing staff, the Card Office, Student Life Services and Dining staff.

New windows were installed. The new east entrance to the building is still in progress and is currently being used. Contractors have now taken over the west half of the building and are currently working on demolition of the old glass lounge.

New meeting rooms and lounge spaces will be created on the west half. Major mechanical and electrical systems in the building continue to be replaced. More exterior work will take place including new north and south entrances, more work on the patio on the west side, new sidewalk additions and planting grass and landscaping come this summer. The project is projected to carry on through the summer of 2019.

The North Hall dorm renovation is another project happening on campus. Demolition is complete, and three new additions have been built and continue to be worked on. A new metal panel exterior is being installed as well as new glass.

All new windows around the dorm were placed in the fall. Work on mechanical and electrical systems is being done on the inside. Currently, drywall, floor, wall ceramic tile and painting are being worked on throughout the building.

There will soon be lighting, HVAC units, data infrastructure, carpet and cabinetry. Exterior works will continue through the winter, but major exterior work will pick up this summer.

Exterior work such as new asphalt paving, concrete sidewalks, the main entry on the east side of the building, retaining walls, grass planting and landscaping will take place this summer. Work is scheduled to carry on through most of summer 2019.

Andi Rodrigues, a freshman majoring in retail, said, "It's exciting being able to see more and more progress on the construction happening each day. UW-Stout has had some amazing renovations in the past and continues to work hard on updates to our campus for the students and staff. I'm most looking forward to seeing the finished product of North Hall."

The Bowman Hall exterior restoration is also a current project taking place on campus. Most exterior work has stopped through the winter as masonry work cannot be completed in cold temperatures. Exterior work will likely commence in March, depending on weather, and carry on through the fall of 2019.

The south side exterior of the building has received a significant amount of replacement brick, replacement stone, painting on the dormers and gutters and new mortar in horizontal joints on the south side.

Exterior work will be done on the east, north and west sides of the building. Major work on the clock tower will begin this spring. All the exterior windows have been replaced with windows that replicated the original 1898 ones.

Updates have been made to wall finishes, ceiling finishes, lighting and a portion of the original steel girders have been exposed as well as original interior brick work that had been covered up by plaster for the past 100 years.

There have been numerous smaller projects completed in the past six months. These include the new Fab Lab space in Vocational Rehabilitation room 120, the renovation of the old foundry in Applied Arts room 109 to create a new plaster lab, rebuilding and adding onto the climbing wall in the Sports and Fitness Center and many other projects.

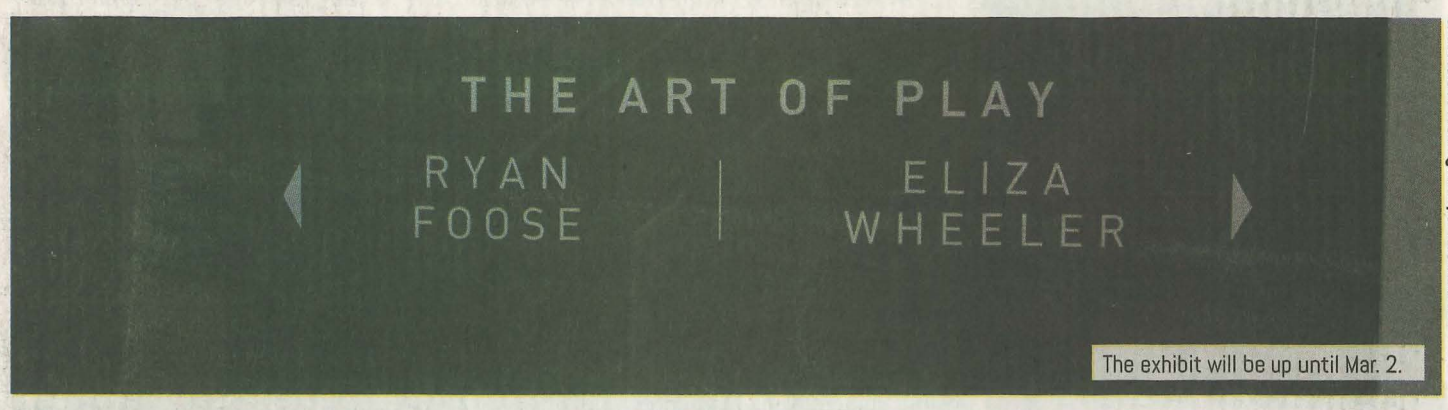
The next major project that UW-Stout will be undertaking in the immediate future will be the renovation of the Nelson Soccer Field. This field will be torn out and underground utility work will be completed to help drainage. A new artificial turf will also be put down.

This project is currently in the design phase and is awaiting some approvals at the state level before beginning. UW-Stout is hoping for a summer 2019 construction start.

Each year UW-Stout also tackles approximately 30-40 lab mod projects that update and improve classroom and lab spaces. The internal crews are already booked throughout summer 2019 with projects.•

THE ART OF PLAY

BRYCE PARR



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The exhibit will be up until Mar. 2.

The work of University of Wisconsin-Stout alumni Ryan Foose and Eliza Wheeler is currently on display in Furlong Gallery leading up to Art & Design Week. Both artists are scheduled to talk on campus about their experiences and advise students on finding their own way.

Wheeler is a 2006 graduate of Stout's graphic design program who has been working as a full-time illustrator and author since 2013. Her original artworks and illustrations for various picture books and middle grade novels are currently featured in the gallery alongside a sneak peak of her current project, Illustrations for "When You Are Brave" by Pat Zietlow-Miller.

Wheeler is hosting her talk on Feb. 13 at 5:45 p.m. in 178 Micheels Hall. "I'm hugely honored to be invited back to Stout to share my work in the gallery and with the students," Wheeler said. "The art department has grown in wonderful ways since I was at Stout."

Foose graduated in 2011 with a double major in graphic design and industrial design before earning his master's in graphic design at North Carolina State University. "Stout has been producing good artists for decades. They finally planted a flag. I feel really proud to know the school itself has taken a step forward. They finally got that designation as an art and design school," Foose said.

Foose is currently the head of brand development with Minor League Baseball. His exhibit in the Furlong gallery features hat and jersey designs as well as some of his work with the "Copa de la Diversión."

"It's always interesting to look at illustrations compared to processed work," said UW-Stout Student Maryrose Stattelman. "With illustration it's interesting to see the little details. Nothing is there by accident."

Foose says he found success by being in the right place at the right time. "One of the hats was sold to the VPO of marketing at Minor League Baseball. I was a local that was all about pushing sports with a user experience," Foose said.

JACKSON RUDQUIST/STOUTONIA

The first book Wheeler authored and illustrated, "Miss Maple's Seeds," was on the New York Times Best Sellers list.

Foose has worked with IBM as a user-experience designer and established his own design company, Fooser Sports Design, in 2013. His designs are worn by teams all around the country.

"You have a very awesome opportunity to creates something new every day. Some projects are fun, some are tooth and nail and some will be something nobody has seen before." Foose said.

He will host his lecture on Feb. 21 in Ballrooms B and C in the Memorial Student Center as a part of Art & Design Week. ●

JACKSON RUDQUIST/STOUTONIA

Foose's work has has been featured in ESPN magazine and Sports Illustrated.

MOVING GENRES FORWARD

BRYCE PARR

JACKSON RUDQUIST/ STOUTONIA

Ren opened the party with an acoustic set.

University of Wisconsin-Stout's Forward Magazine released their Fall 2018 issue last Friday at the Raw Deal. The night featured live performances from musical groups and Disc Jockeys Ren, Bellyflop Suicide, J A C U Z Z I and Nolephant.

Forward is a student led magazine that features photography, poetry, journalism and design focused on fashion and culture. This issue is the sixth installment of the biannual publication.

The magazine strives to create something new and unconventional every semester. "We never try to do something that has been done before," Forward president Ethan McGowan said. The organization pushes away genre convention and experiments heavily with page layout, innovative aesthetics, progressive styles and unique subject matter.

"They definitely have more of an experimental or contemporary style than some of the other publications here on campus. I think it's nice that they provide an outlet for that type of design," UW-Stout student Anna Humphrey said.

"One of the articles is about things you hold close. Artifacts that matter to you that others might just see as trash. One person even has a broken disco ball," McGowen said.

"We are always trying to push it every issue. Wherever we see opportunity," said Forward vice president Bex Morton.

After brainstorming topics for each semester's issue, students are assigned content and work with their section directors to create the magazine. "Forward is a great opportunity for potential. It's a great collaborative project," Morton said.

"Forward gets me to take my art practice and entertain people. It mixes all my interests into one," said contributor Gemma Schlotthauer.

According to McGowan, the latest issue featured more writing than usual. He says this is a welcome addition though. "Everybody is welcome. Anyone can join," McGowan said. "Just send me an email. Now would be a great time. We can find a way for everyone to be involved."•

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DJs Nolephant and J A C U Z Z I closed the night with high energy sets.

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STUDENT-ARTIST SPOTLIGHT: ROSALIE MATTAIR

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Rosalie Mattair is a University of Wisconsin-Stout junior studying entertainment design with a concentration in comics and sequential art. Mattair is a resident of Sussex, Wisconsin but originally hailed from Jacksonville, Florida. •

FIFTH GRADE, INK AND DIGITAL COLOR

What styles or mediums do you prefer?

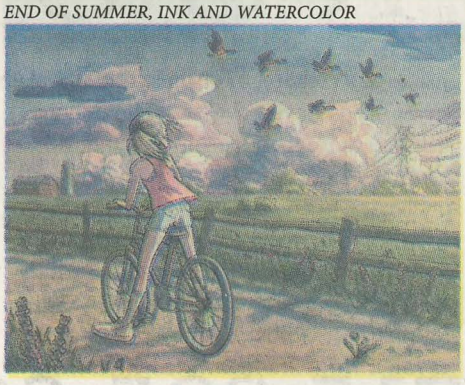
I draw everything with black outlines, usually with ink and sometimes add color either digitally or with watercolors. I draw in a style that I think is a good balance between realistic and cartoony.

Are there any projects that stood out to you during your career at Stout?

Not projects so much as classes. The ones that I have found the most interesting are my comics and painting classes. I have found the projects in those classes to be the most relevant to what I'm trying to do.

LITTLE GIRL ON A STOOL, DIGITAL LINES AND COLOR

END OF SUMMER, INK AND WATERCOLOR



DECEMBER, INK AND WATERCOLOR

What sparked your interest in art?

Nothing sparked it. It's just always been there.

Do you take influence from any artists?

My biggest artistic influence is probably Jamie Hewlett.

SAD KID, INK AND DIGITAL COLOR

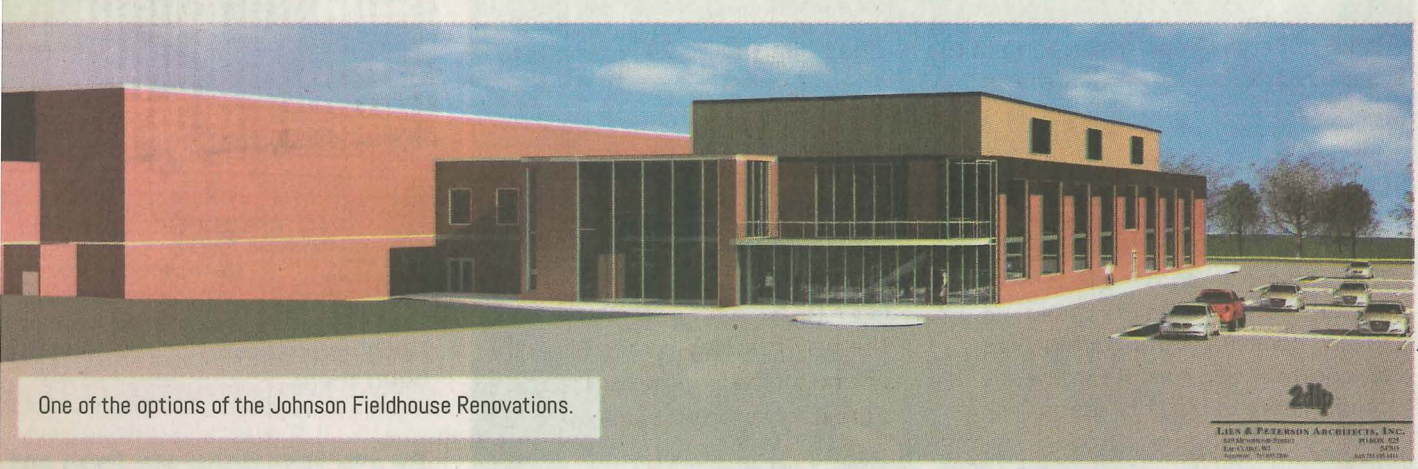
What are your plans for after graduation?

First, I'm going to try to get my senior comic published. In general, I want to be an illustrator and comic artist, although I don't have specific plans for how I'm going to do that yet.

ROSALIE MATTAIR/ CONTRIBUTED

TOWN HALL MEETINGS BEGIN FOR FIELDHOUSE RENOVATION

EVAN THUE



One of the options of the Johnson Fieldhouse Renovations.

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A whole renovation of the second floor is planned as well.

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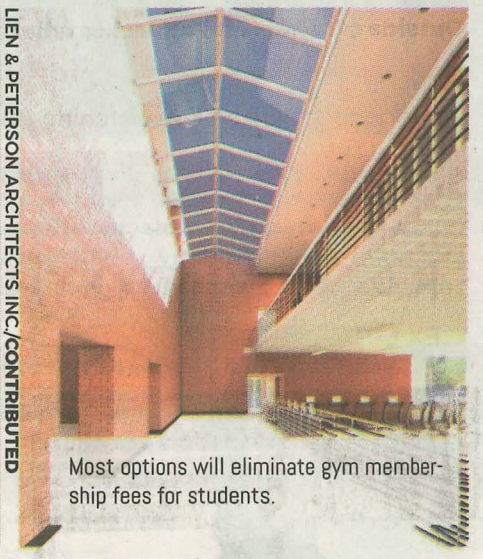

Most options will eliminate gym membership fees for students.

The process for renovating the Johnson Fieldhouse has gotten underway earlier this month with the first of three meetings taking place on Feb. 4.

"The meetings are primarily to spread the word about the referendum now. Our goal with the meeting was to spread the word of our work, but now that we have a referendum date, we need students to vote," said student Jason Graves. Graves has been involved with not only the planning process, but also helping to set up the meetings.

The referendum date has been confirmed to be April 11 with students getting to choose between three different options, with all three options focused on "renovating spaces and creating more open recreation space," said Graves. The latter two options will also waive membership fees and will allow all students access to the facilities without having to purchase a membership.

Graves isn't the only one working on this process of setting up these meetings. He is working with Tim Nelson, Madeline Ramich, Gary Gust, Justin Uptadel as well as some Stout Student Association members moderating.

"The committee consists of many pro-staff in the department and building as well as pro-staff from other positions among Stout. There have been many students and faculty that have been involved over the years of planning," said Graves. The process for this whole thing has been very interesting for Graves. "For me, it has been a lot of learning," he said. "We meet almost weekly and discuss plans for our presentation, ways we can out reach more effectively and looking at the future for getting students involved".

Graves greatly encourages for anyone to show up to the meetings and voice their support, raise concerns, or ask questions. With the vote taking place on April 11, there will be two more meetings: one on Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. in the Cedar/Maple Room of the MSC and Mar. 14 at 7 p.m. in Ballroom C of the MSC.●

STUDENT-ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT: GAVIN SMITH

EVAN THUE

This issue's Student-Athlete Spotlight is Gavin Smith, a senior on the University of Wisconsin-Stout ice hockey team. Smith is a business administration major from Savage, Minn.●

What is your plan after college?

After college, I hope to get a job in the business field. I also will proceed to get a master's degree in business.

Why did you choose Stout?

The reason I chose Stout was because Jerry Watkins recruited me to play hockey and I thought it was a good fit. I also had some friends coming here to play hockey as well.

Who is your favorite pro-athlete and why?

My favorite pro-athlete would have to be Alexander Ovechkin. The way that guy carries himself on and off the ice is awesome and a great role model to look up to.

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Gavin Smith shooting a pass to a teammate in a game against Aurora University on October 28th.

Outside of school and athletics, what are some other things you like to do?

Outside of athletics, I love watching HBO shows (Game of Thrones) and also playing Fortnite.

What are a few interesting facts about yourself?

I'm also a great chef, I love to cook; I make a mean tater tot hotdish.

SKATING INTO THE PLAYOFFS

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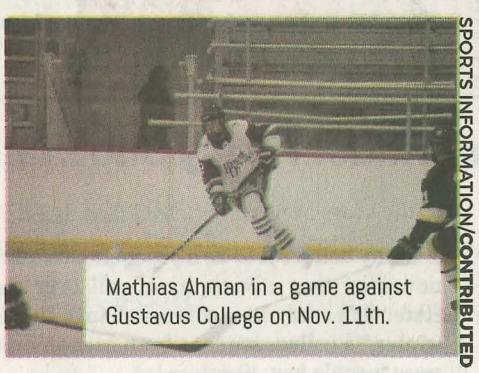

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Mathias Ahman in a game against Gustavus College on Nov. 11th.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout men's hockey team has been having a great season so far this year, which is something Coach Watkins said didn't surprise him. "The team has met all of my expectations for them this year," Coach Watkins said. "We've done very well with the young team we have. We've doubled our wins this season and we did it against some tough teams."

Stout senior Mathias Åhman from Härnösand, Sweden said, "I believe that since day one of this season we have been taking steps in the right direction as a team every day. Of course, there are times throughout a season where you have periods when it doesn't go as well as you thought it could have."

Both Coach Watkins and Åhman agree that the youth on the team was one of their biggest challenges to overcome this season. Not because they weren't talented, but because there were so many young guys this season and they wanted to make sure they were all on the same page. "We wanted to make sure they knew how short the seasons in college are compared to in junior hockey. Stating that every game matters and there are no easy games," said Åhman.

Coach Watkins was quick to state that there are no players that stand out more than others and that the team is full of talented players. "There are really talented guys that sometimes don't get to play because of how much depth we have on the team," said Watkins. He went on to say that every player has met his expectations and in most cases surpassed the expectations he had for them.

The seniors hold a special place in the heart of Coach Watkins. "They're all great kids, they've done a great job in the past four years playing for me. I'd like to have them for another four years if it were possible."

Hockey also holds a special place in Åhman's heart. "After hockey, I will be missing the team. The friendships you build throughout the years are lifelong friends. I will also miss the competition, being able to come to practice and go to games and compete every day. I would like to thank Coach Watkins for the hard work he does every day. I've never had a coach work that hard and be so passionate about his job. These four years have been very fun and I couldn't be happier about where I ended up."

The Blue Devils hockey team is headed into playoffs with the first round of the playoffs set to take place Friday, Feb. 15-16 starting at 7 p.m.●

THE SCOPES

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Aries (March 21 - April 19)
Fill that void in your life by getting really, really into ski ball. Become the best ski ball player in the tri-state area!

Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
Remember, your confidence issues are the only thing preventing you from being the true lord of the dance. Dance, you coward, dance!

Gemini (May 21 - June 20)
Normally, secrets are never a good thing. However, we recommend keeping the fact that you drink your roommates milk every day close to you.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22)
A troubling realization will hit you when you realize that you have neither one in the hand nor two in the bush.

Leo (July 23 - August 22)
A Spring Break mishap will result in you getting a one-way flight to Jerusalem where you'll become the impromptu leader of a wallet-swiping street rat gang. Mazel tov!

Virgo (August 23 - September 22)
Your dreams of becoming the pilot of a giant mecha robot will come true! You will still not earn the respect of your peers and family.

Libra (September 23 - October 22) -
With all this political unrest around building the border wall, take solace in the fact that your opinion won't change the outcome of it either way.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21)
Budget cuts amongst the Zodiac have left all Scorpios without any notable or memorable events happening for the next 50 years. Oops!

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21)
Your ability to solve all of your problems with a bobby-pin and a little ingenuity will not fix the inconsolable need to make meaningful relationships in your post-college life. Good luck!

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19)
Having the only room in the house with attic access was weird to you at first, but now you're the patriarch of some goblins that lived there! Cool!

Aquarius (January 20 - February 19)
You will be haunted by the ghosts of all of the socks you've lost doing laundry over the years. You'll never get a good night's sleep again!

Pisces (February 20 - March 20)
It may be the middle of winter in Wisconsin, but bees will begin showing up in your room for the rest of the year. You shouldn't have left that Pepsi out!

WEBSITE EXCLUSIVES

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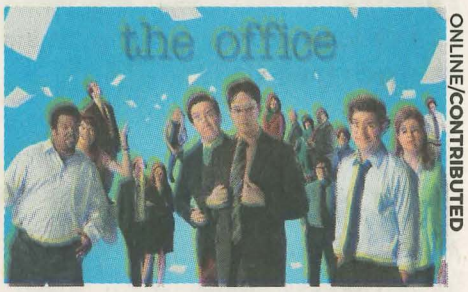
Friend's Shower Controls Absolutely Baffling



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Top 10 Interests That Make Up For A Lack of Personality!

Entire State of Wisconsin Forgets How to Drive Amidst Heavy Snowfall

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Layers of ice and snow have begun to coat nearly every street in the upper-Midwest, making visibility low, traction lower, and reducing speeds. Although this seems to happen annually in this part of the country, the people within the state seem unable to ever fully adapt to the tough winter driving conditions.

Wisconites find themselves in ditches, stuck in their driveways, spinning out or in accidents due to lack of control and adjustments that should be made when driving in the winter.

Many Wisconsinites find themselves wondering how they haven't learned and prepared for winter driving. After living in the state for years, many would assume that the idea of winter driving is much like riding a bike, drivers should just know how to do it. As time has moved on, history shows this isn't the case.

Many believe it to be a psychological phenomenon that affects drivers all over the state. "It's crazy how drivers change in the winter," a college student from Menomonie says, "people just, like, lose it."

"When I drive on the highway, I see maybe 3, 4 cars in the ditch every day," says a small business owner from Madison, "it's just hard to drive straight, you know?"

Scientists are baffled at this event that seems to happen every year in the upper Midwest and have yet to come up with a conclusive explanation. The only thing they advise concurrently is to be safe, drive a little slower, and look out for those Wisconsin plates.●

CALENDAR

FEB. 11 - FEB. 24, 2019

Wed. Feb 13
Make Chocolate Truffles with Food Science Club
Heritage Hall 238
6 - 7 p.m.

Wed. Feb 13
Valentine's Dance
MSC Great Hall
7:30 - 10 p.m.

Wed. Feb 13
Valentine's Day Cake Pop Fundraiser
Lower Level MSC
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Thurs. Feb 14
Niiice. W/ Products & Gash
MSC Terrace
8 p.m.

Fri. Feb 15
A Star is Born
Applied Arts 210
6 p.m. & 9 p.m.

Sat. Feb 16
Karaoke Night
Huff's Lounge, Lower Level MSC
9 - 11 p.m.

STOUT COMICS

BY RILEY DUNHAM

I'm heading out to the lab. I'll be back later.
Wait, wait, wait... You're going in THAT? You know it's like =45 out today right?
Oh please! I lived in Wisconsin my whole life! I'll be fine!
SLAM
Don't say it.
Don't need to.

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